

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Previously presented) A method comprising:

 determining, in a device management server, the contents of sub-objects in a new management object associated with a management tree, said management tree being maintained by the device management server;

 determining in the device management server at least one data element comprising priority data of at least one sub-object in relation to other sub-objects, of the new management object;

 attaching said at least one data element to the management tree maintained by the management server; and

 sending a document according to the management tree to a management customer device.

2. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said management object comprises provisioning settings of a WAP protocol for a Bootstrap process.

3. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein

 said determining the at least one data element, comprising the priority data of at least one sub-object in relation to other sub-objects, comprises determining the at least one data element as at least one separate leaf sub-object in the management object; and

 said attaching comprises attaching the determined at least one leaf sub-object, determining said priority data, to the management tree in parallel with one or more management sub-objects, whose priority is determined by the attached at least one leaf sub-object.

4. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein
said determining the at least one data element, comprising the priority data of at
least one sub-object in relation to other sub-objects, comprises determining the at least one
data element as a run-time property definition, and

 said attaching comprises attaching said run-time property definitions determining
 said priority data to meta data of the management tree maintained by the management
 server.

5. (Previously presented) A device management system comprising: a device management
server, and

 a management customer device,

 wherein the management server and the management customer device are arranged
 to maintain management object data in a management tree for managing configuration of
 the management customer device, and to determine the contents of a new management
 object; and

 the management server is further arranged to

 determine priority of at least one sub object, belonging to the management object, in
 relation to other sub objects;

 determine at least one data element comprising the priority data of at least one sub
 object in relation to other sub objects, wherein the data element is a management object;

 attach said at least one data element to the management tree maintained by the
 management server; and to

 send a document according to the management tree to the management customer
 device, and

 the management customer device is arranged to deassemble said document into
 management tree form so that said priority data shows the priority data of at least one sub
 object in relation to other sub objects and is further arranged to update or form the
 management tree in accordance with the data element comprising said priority data, wherein

content of the document is stored in the management customer device in accordance with the management tree.

6. (Original) A management system as claimed in claim 5, wherein the management server is arranged to

determine the data element comprising the priority data of at least one sub object in relation to other sub objects, as separate leaf objects; and

attach the leaf objects determining said priority data to the management tree maintained by the management server so that they are placed in parallel with the management/sub object, whose priority they determine.

7. (Original) A management system as claimed in claim 5, wherein the management server is arranged to

determine the data element comprising the priority data of at least one sub object in relation to other sub objects, as a run-time property definition; and to

attach said run-time property definitions determining said priority data to the meta data of the management tree maintained by the management server.

8. (Currently amended) An apparatus comprising:

a memory configured to store computer code and to maintain a management tree for managing configuration of a customer device; and

a processor, the memory and the computer code, working with the processor, being configured to cause the apparatus to perform at least the following:

determine the contents of sub-objects in a new management object associated with the management tree;

determine at least one data element comprising priority data of at least one sub-object in relation to other sub-objects, of the new management object;

attach said at least one data element to the management tree maintained by the management server; and

send a document according to said management tree to at least one customer device.

9. (Previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 8, wherein the apparatus supports syncML device management and wherein the management object comprises provisioning settings of a WAP protocol for a Bootstrap process.

10. (Currently amended) An apparatus comprising:

a memory configured to store computer code and to maintain a management tree for managing configuration of the apparatus; and

a processor, the memory and the computer code, working with the processor, being configured to cause the apparatus to perform at least the following:

receive a document comprising device management operations from a management server, and

deassemble the document received from the management server into management tree form, on the basis of at least one data element comprising priority data of at least one sub-object in relation to other sub-objects, so that said priority data shows the priority data of at least one sub-object in relation to other sub-objects, and update or form the management tree in accordance with the data element comprising said priority data, wherein content of the document is stored in the apparatus in accordance with the management tree.

11. (Previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 10, wherein the apparatus supports SyncML Device Management and wherein the management object comprises provisioning settings of a WAP protocol for a Bootstrap process.

12. (Previously presented) A computer-readable medium, wherein the computer-readable medium comprises computer-executable instructions stored thereon for enabling a data processing device to

maintain a management tree for managing configuration of the data processing device,

determine contents of sub-objects in a new management object associated with the management tree,

determine at least one data element comprising priority data of at least one sub-object in relation to other sub-objects, of the new management object,

attach said at least one data element to the management tree maintained by the data processing device, and

send a document according to the management tree to a management customer device.

13. (Previously presented) A computer-readable medium as claimed in claim 12, comprising computer-executable instructions stored thereon for enabling the data processing device to determine the at least one data element by means of at least one separate leaf sub-object; and

attach the leaf sub-object determining said priority data to the management tree so that the at least one leaf sub-object is placed in parallel with the management sub-objects, whose priority the leaf sub-object determines.

14. (Currently amended) An apparatus as claimed in claim 8, wherein the memory and the computer code, working with the processor is, are further configured to cause the apparatus to determine the at least one data element as at least one separate leaf sub-object, and attach the leaf sub-object determining said priority data to the management tree so that the at least one leaf sub-object is placed in parallel with the management sub-objects, whose priority the leaf sub-object determines.

15. (Currently amended) An apparatus as claimed in claim 8, wherein the memory and the computer code, working with the processor is, are further configured to cause the apparatus to determine the data element as at least one run-time property definition, and attach said

run-time property definition, determining said priority data, to meta data of the management tree.

16. (Previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 10, wherein the apparatus is configured to operate as a management customer device in a device management system.

17. (Previously presented) A method comprising:

receiving a document including device management operations from at least one management server;

deassembling the document into management tree form, on the basis of at least one data element comprising priority data of at least one sub-object, wherein the data element is a management object and belongs to a new management object, in relation to other sub-objects, so that said priority data shows the priority data of at least one sub-object in relation to other sub-objects; and

updating or forming the management tree in accordance with the data element comprising said priority data, wherein content of the document is stored in accordance with the management tree.

18. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 17, wherein the management object comprises provisioning settings of a WAP protocol for a Bootstrap process.

19. (Previously presented) A computer-readable medium, wherein the computer-readable medium comprises computer-executable instructions stored thereon for enabling a device to receive a document including device management operations from at least one management server;

deassemble the document into management tree form, on the basis of at least one data element comprising priority data of at least one sub-object, wherein the data element is a management object and belongs to a new management object, in relation to other sub-

objects, so that said priority data shows the priority data of at least one sub-object in relation to other sub-objects; and

update or form the management tree in accordance with the data element comprising said priority data, wherein content of the document is stored in the apparatus in accordance with the management tree.